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fluence to the younger generation.

"We have seen the younger generation trying to better themselves. They realize problems and want to make a change," Rose said. "They love to speak English, so it is important that we stop and talk with them. They are the future."

Rose said in one village where his team stopped, a boy took him by the hand and led him over to a sign from a previous construction project. He said the child was just ecstatic to be able to read him the sign word for word in English.

The construction work, which the civil affairs soldiers call Engineering Civic Action Programs, is good because it provides the villages with newly refurbished schools or hospitals.

However Rose's team has yet to conduct any ENCAPs in Dire Dawa. The first mis-

sions the people of this region will see are the MEDCAP and VETCAP scheduled for the end of the month.

"My expectation is to offer as many people in the target area some sort of medical treatment for their ailments," said Col. John S. Allerding, senior medical officer for the civic action team conducting the MEDCAP and VETCAP.

Allerding said there are many chronic diseases that need to be treated – like hypertension and conditions stemming from malnutrition and mental illness – but the possibility to cause harm is greater than that to aid the people. He said following up on the care is vital in order to see how the patients are responding to the medications.

He realizes that curing the ailments that much of the local population suffers from is not realistic.

"We want to touch lives and change attitudes of what Americans are like," he said. "We make efforts to teach basic sanitation like boiling their water, wash-

ing their hands, keeping their animals out of their homes and keeping their latrines away from the homes, but getting them to do it is the hard part."

Allerding, a Loudonville, Ohio, native, said from his experience with other MEDCAPs just the idea that the soldiers cared enough to go out and conduct the missions is enough to make an impression on the local populations. He said it also helps when the teams work with the host nation medical practitioners.

"By working side by side it shows that we recognize their efforts and give them some degree of credibility," Allerding said. "They [the patients] often think our medicines are stronger or of a higher quality, so just by working with the local doctors the [villagers] feel the care is more valid."

For now the civil affairs team will continue coordination for the MEDCAP and VETCAP scheduled for some time toward the end of March.

Orphanage Volunteer Trips

Baby Orphanage

Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. to feed and love the babies. Contact Master Sgt. Harris or Chief Stevens at 824-2650/2020 or cell phone 831-402 for more information.

Boys Orphanage

Volunteer to teach and play baseball, basketball and soccer with the boys Thursdays at 4 p.m. Contact Capt. Jackson or Capt. King at 824-4241/2261 or cell phone 830-157 for more information.

Girls Orphanage

Volunteer to teach girls English or play soccer at the girls orphanage. Contact Linda C. Wallace at 824-2504 or 824-695 for more information.

All personnel interested in participating in these trips should sign up at the chapel office located in the rear of the chapel. The times reflect the departure time from the chapel to the respective orphanage. Please sign-up in advance so the chaplain's office can arrange ample transportation.



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Service members play soccer at the boy's orphanage recently. The orphanages are an excellent opportunity to contribute to the development of youngsters in the local community.

Enduring Freedom Chapel Sunday Worship Schedule

9 a.m.	Catholic Mass (Priest from town)
10:30 a.m.	Protestant Evangelical Service
2:30 p.m.	Latter Day Saints Service
5 p.m.	Gospel Worship Service
7 p.m.	Lay Catholic Service
8 p.m.	Praise & Worship Service

Monday:	
6:30 p.m.	Praise and Worship Rehearsal
8 p.m.	Prayer Meeting

Tuesday:	
6:15 p.m.	Catholic Worship Rehearsal
7:30 p.m.	Joshua/Judges Bible Study

Wednesday:	
11:30 a.m.	Mid-week Communion Service
6 p.m.	"Learning and Living the Word"
8 p.m.	"Being a Christian Warrior" Bible Study

Thursday:	
6:30 p.m.	Praise and Worship Rehearsal
8 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous

Friday:	
6:15 p.m.	Catholic Worship Rehearsal
7:30 p.m.	Pentecostal Service (Protestant)